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For: CARBOXYLIC ACID AMIDES, THE PREPARATION THEREOF AND THEIR  
USE AS PHARMACEUTICAL AGENTS

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**  
**IN RESPONSE TO AUGUST 19, 2003 OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 19, 2003. In that Office Action a three month shortened statutory period was set for response. This Amendment is filed December 19, 2003 resulting in a 1 month extension. Accordingly, a one month extension fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 of \$110.00 is due in connection with this Amendment and authorization is hereby given to charge such fees and any other fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 02-2955.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks being on page 13 of this paper.

**Election of species:**

Applicant hereby elects with traverse to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 5, 1-4, 6-8, and 11-14. This affirms the provisional election made in a telephone conversation with the Examiner on August 14, 2003. Applicants preserve their right to file a divisional application on the non-elected claims in due course.

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application: